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## Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 211 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 17, 2006. This was down 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## Broiler Chicks Placed Down 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 17, 2006. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through June 17, 2006 were 4.19 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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**Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	May 13 2006	May 20 2006	May 27 2006	Jun 3 2006	Jun 10 2006	Jun 17 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	31,471	31,644	*31,821	31,547	*31,840	31,072
AR	29,750	30,709	30,428	30,051	30,499	28,819
DE	3,542	3,661	3,840	3,887	3,959	3,944
FL	1,328	962	1,392	1,346	1,374	1,374
GA	34,704	34,612	*34,869	35,085	*34,951	35,312
KY	*7,338	*7,031	7,174	7,129	7,254	7,244
LA	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,923
MD	8,876	8,955	8,544	8,893	8,772	8,961
MS	18,385	17,916	*17,910	17,901	17,916	17,569
NC	18,925	18,872	*18,387	18,618	*18,900	17,828
OK	6,404	6,276	6,478	6,517	6,412	6,493
PA	4,013	4,114	4,087	*3,973	*4,136	3,991
SC	5,336	5,309	5,385	5,392	5,297	5,103
TX	14,836	14,886	14,868	14,907	14,867	14,875
VA	6,472	6,475	6,460	6,369	6,384	6,338
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*18,211	*17,898	*18,092	*17,605	*17,834	17,987
19 State Total	*213,514	*213,243	*213,658	*213,143	*214,318	210,833
Previous Year Total	215,969	216,555	215,660	215,857	215,948	214,626
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	98	99	99	99	98

\* Revised

**Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States**

State	Week Ending					
	May 13 2006	May 20 2006	May 27 2006	Jun 3 2006	Jun 10 2006	Jun 17 2006
	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>	<i>Thousand</i>
AL	20,897	21,550	21,210	21,298	*21,126	21,647
AR	25,233	24,060	24,546	22,812	23,247	23,370
DE	5,940	5,119	6,056	5,317	6,480	5,835
FL	1,324	1,372	1,452	1,403	814	1,408
GA	*28,488	28,669	*28,308	28,168	*29,687	29,263
KY	6,388	6,388	6,013	*6,315	*6,034	6,226
LA	3,782	3,767	3,619	4,189	3,558	3,741
MD	4,484	4,979	4,512	5,261	4,582	4,849
MS	15,743	15,414	16,241	16,204	15,880	15,877
NC	15,193	15,513	15,357	15,699	*15,721	15,315
OK	4,087	5,296	4,781	5,102	5,369	5,107
PA	2,959	2,624	2,960	*2,920	*2,981	2,954
SC	4,592	4,701	3,929	4,993	*4,091	4,460
TX	12,773	11,455	12,828	12,755	12,928	12,913
VA	5,112	5,792	5,206	5,202	4,870	5,000
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*16,380	*15,156	*16,152	*17,195	*16,933	17,139
19 State Total	*173,375	*171,855	*173,170	*174,833	*174,301	175,104
Previous Year Total	178,354	177,385	178,099	178,299	178,287	178,125
Pct. of Prev. Year	97	97	97	98	98	98

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